

St. Fintan's Parish, Ballyfin

Sat. 11th Sun. 12th April - 2nd Sunday of Easter

Divine Mercy Sunday

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Mass Times - Anniversaries Sat. 11th - Sun. 19th Apr

Sat. 11th Apr. 8.00 pm Teresa Mc Hugh,

Sisters and Brothers

Sun. 12th Apr. 10.00 am 2nd Sun. Easter Divine Mercy Sun.

Mon. 13th Apr. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification

Sat. 18th Apr. 8.00 pm 3rd Sunday of Easter.

Sun. 19th Apr. 10.00 am Betty and Dermot Conroy, Barkmills

Mon. 20th Apr. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification

Lord, for your faithful people, Life is changed, Not ended

Facilitators Review Meeting - Baptised and Sent in Lent

There will be a gathering of facilitators of *Baptised and Sent in Lent* Groups in Newbridge Parish Centre on Wednesday, April 22 from 7:30 pm (tea/coffee from 7:15). Bookings will open after Easter week. A chance to hear how the sessions went and, importantly, any concrete feedback in the reflections that parishes and the diocese need to listen to and any lessons for future programmes such as this.

Cemetery Masses

Ballyfin Cemetery Sun. 14th June (2nd Sun. June)

Mountrath Cemetery Fri. 26th June (Last Fri. Jun)

Clonenagh Fri. 10th July (2nd Fri. July)

Cemetery on Left - Mountrath to Portlaoise

Clondarrig Wed. 5th Aug. (1st Wed. August)

Boughlone Wed. 2nd Sept. (1st Wed. Sept)

All Cemetery Masses commence at 7.00 pm

Safeguarding Children Parish Reps

Ballyfin Triona O'Rourke and Peter Byrne

Mountrath Caroline Moore Pacelli Walsh

Deputy Diocesan Liaison Person

Michelle Hughes c/o Bishop's House,

Dublin Rd., Carlow Ph: 085 802 1633

(Ailish Higgins is on maternity leave)

Ministries Rota 18th April - 19th April

Reader Ministers of Holy Comm

Sat. 8.00 pm Br. Gerry Reburn Teresa McCormack

Sun. 10.00 am Ken Molloy Mary Finn

Collectors for April

Sat. Sheila Dowling Charlie Gorman

Sun. Edward Coughlan Denis Daly

Ballyfin Parish Income

4th - 5th April

106 Envelopes € 1541.00

Offertory Coll. € 420.08

Lenten Stns.. € 240.00

Easter Dues € 3,375.00

Retired Priests € 20.00

Peter's Pence € 10.00

Trocaire € 1,580.00

Candle Shrine € 49.95

Good Friday Coll. for people

of Holy Land € 1545.00

Thank you for your support

Bishop Denis - A Thought this Easter

The Mass of Chrism reminds us of our calling, a calling that is rooted in our Baptism. All of us are, as this year's Confirmation theme runs, 'Loved, Chosen, Necessary'. Baptism allows us all to belong, and the synod Synthesis reminds us 'belonging' is critical to our faith journey. Every one of you in the Cathedral this night is needed in our Church. Lay Pastoral Ministers do not replace the clergy. Lay Pastoral Ministers do not replace the lay faithful already immersed in the life of their parish. The clergy do not replace the call of every Baptised person. The Church of Kildare & Leighlin needs everyone" (Chrism Homily '26) May each one of you grow to realise the profound calling that is your Baptism this Easter and may your Easter be filled with light, peace and joy.

Every blessing, ✠ *Denis*

Clean Up Laois Week 2026

Ballyfin Community Alert have registered to take part in Clean Up Week Monday 6th April - Fri. 10th April. Collection point for bags of litter is yard behind Deadmans Inn and collection date for Ballyfin is early **Tues. 14th April**. No bags collected after this date.

Contact Sheila 086 1570145

A Note of Thanks

A very special note of thanks to everyone involved in our enriching and prayerful Ceremonies during this Easter Season Servers, Readers (Proclaimers of the Word) - Ministers of Holy Communion - Collectors - Church Cleaners - Ministries co-ordinators, Esther and Crescentia, Sacristans, Musicians, Organists, Singers, Choirs and co-ordinators and all who enhanced our celebrations of the Eucharist on Palm Sunday and Holy Thursday. (Mass of the Lord's Supper) - Solemn Liturgy of the Passion and Stations of the Cross on Good Friday - Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday night and Mass of the Lord's Resurrection on Easter Sunday morning. Please know that your prayerful involvement truly enriched all our ceremonies. Thanks for your very generous and continued support of Ballyfin Parish through the various Parish Collections - Your generous support is always very much appreciated.

Please know that your help and co-operation is very much appreciated.

Ballyfin Parish Lotto Wed 8th April

Nos. Drawn 13 16 23 29

No Jackpot Winner

10 Match 3's Rec. € 100.00 each

Next Week's Jackpot € 13,000

Confirmation Catechesis

Sat. 18th April after 7.00 pm Mass

In Mountrath Church

Sun. 19th April. after 10.00 am Mass

(Ballyfin Church) For Confirmation

Candidates and their parents in Mountrath

and Ballyfin Parishes.